

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 780

By Smith

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Dr. Daniel Simberloff of the University of Tennessee, Knoxville.

WHEREAS, it is the privilege of the members of this General Assembly to recognize those eminent academicians whose pioneering research has contributed greatly to their disciplines; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Daniel Simberloff is one such individual, a professor at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville (UT), who has earned the distinction of being among the most cited researchers in the world; and

WHEREAS, Clarivate Analytics, formerly Thompson Reuters, studied research and releases, measuring the total number of times that others cited Dr. Simberloff's material in their own findings; the results placed Dr. Simberloff in the top one percent of all research scientists in the world; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Daniel Simberloff is the Gore Hunger Professor of Environmental Science in Ecology and Evolutionary Biology at UT; his research centers on the study of invasive species, coexistence of species, and how species can differ depending on other organisms in their environment; and

WHEREAS, this year's recognition is the second in a row that has named him one of the top-cited researchers; collectively, his research has been cited more than 60,000 times; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Simberloff is a giant in his field of study, one upon whose shoulders subsequent generations will stand as they endeavor to advance our understanding of the world in which we live; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED TENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE

CONCURRING, that we honor and commend Dr. Daniel Simberloff upon being recognized as one of the most cited researchers in the world and extend to him our best wishes for continued success in all his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.